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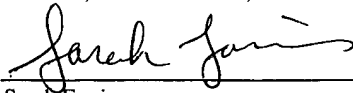
In re Application of: Georges et al.) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Serial No.: 10/010,310) Group Art Unit: 1645
Filed: November 13, 2001)

For: PROTEIN-PROTEIN INTERACTIONS AND METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING
INTERACTING PROTEINS AND THE AMINO ACID SEQUENCE AT THE
SITE OF INTERACTION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply With Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed April 20, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph on page 2, lines 10-15 and replace it with the following paragraph:

It has been previously demonstrated that small synthetic peptides can bind to proteins (1, 18, 55, 102). Nevertheless, the use of synthetic peptides in a systematic approach to identify interacting protein domains and sequences has not been proposed or provided. Certain signature domains have been shown to bind with high affinity to specific